# SENATE BILL No. 149

#### DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 35-33-5-9.

**Synopsis:** Unmanned aerial vehicles. Allows the use of an unmanned aerial vehicle by a law enforcement officer or governmental entity without obtaining a search warrant if the law enforcement officer determines that the use of the unmanned aerial vehicle is required to obtain aerial photographs or video images of a motor vehicle accident site on a public street or public highway.

Effective: July 1, 2016.

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January 5, 2016, read first time and referred to Committee on Homeland Security & Transportation.



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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in this style type, and deletions will appear in this style type.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or *this style type* reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2015 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning criminal law and procedure.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1	SECTION 1. IC 35-33-5-9, AS ADDED BY P.L.170-2014
2	SECTION 19, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3	JULY 1, 2016]: Sec. 9. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), a law
4	enforcement officer must obtain a search warrant in order to use an
5	unmanned aerial vehicle.
6	(b) A law enforcement officer or governmental entity may use an
7	unmanned aerial vehicle without obtaining a search warrant if the law
8	enforcement officer determines that the use of the unmanned aeria
9	vehicle:
0	(1) is required due to:
1	(A) the existence of exigent circumstances necessitating a
2	warrantless search;
3	(B) the substantial likelihood of a terrorist attack;
4	(C) the need to conduct a search and rescue or recovery
5	operation;
6	(D) the need to conduct efforts:
7	(i) in response to; or



1	(ii) to mitigate;
2	the results of a natural disaster or any other disaster; or
3	(E) the need to perform a geographical, an environmental, or
4	any other survey for a purpose that is not a criminal justice
5	purpose; <del>or</del>
6	(2) is required to obtain aerial photographs or video images
7	of a motor vehicle accident site on a public street or public
8	highway; or
9	(2) (3) will be conducted with the consent of any affected property
10	owner.

